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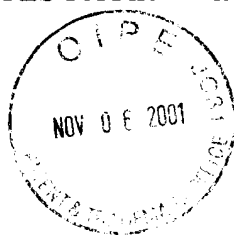
## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Group Art Unit No.: 1761

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For: A PROCESS TO TREAT FISH WITH TASTELESS SMOKE OR CARBON  
MONOXIDE THROUGH THE RESPIRATORY AND CIRCULATORY SYSTEMS

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D. C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

The applicant would like to bring the examiner's attention to the following U.S. patents:

<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
Kowalski	5,972,401	10/26/1999
Yamaoka et al.	5,484,619	01/16/1996
Woodruff et al.	4,522,835	06/11/1985
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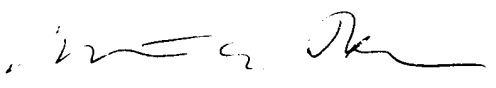
The relevance of these patents and publications is disclosed in the specification of this application.

Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B are enclosed along with copies of the foregoing patents and publications.

The applicant submits that the above references, taken alone or in combination, neither anticipate nor render obvious the present invention. Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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